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1. The Chinese Communists do not have a special organization which is responsible for influencing the defection of Nationalist officials. A number of Chinese Communist organizations, however, do work of this kind. Their outstanding method is to indoctrinate former Nationalist generals who were either left behind on the mainland or captured during combat, and send them to Hong Kong under the pretence of escaping from Communist domination. Once in Hong Kong they are instructed to get to Taiwan by any possible means in order to get close to their former associates for propaganda, intelligence, and defection work.
2. It is quite possible that the Communists would use HSIAD Chieh-ju, WEI Li-huang, and PAN Yu-kun for this type of work.
3. General WEI Li-huang has been living quietly in Hong Kong. At one time he was reputed to be under the influence of HSU Chung-chih, but this is not true. WEI still has strong feelings against CHIANG Kai-shek, however, over the loss of Mukden in 1948 since WEI feels that he was blamed when he was placed in a helpless position. General PAN Yu-kun, a division commander in Burma during the Pacific war, is not in touch with the Communists.
4. The latest Nationalist to defect to the Communists is former prime minister WENG Wen-hao, who has gone to Sinkiang to exploit uranium mines.
5. Communist efforts to cause the defection of Nationalist officials appear to have abated. No Nationalists of standing in Taiwan would contemplate a switch at this time. Morale in Taiwan rose when the U. S. 7 Fleet began to patrol Nationalist waters in June 1950 and became even higher when President Truman recently requested Congress for U. S. \$307,000,000 for aid to Nationalist China. Nationalists and anti-Communists in Hong Kong are also pleased over the prospect of U. S. aid.

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